

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: Robert Alan Williams et al.

Serial No.: 10/676,758

For: PERIPHERAL DEVICES AND METHODS FOR TRANSFERRING
INCOMING DATA STATUS ENTRIES FROM A PERIPHERAL TO A
HOST

Filing Date: October 01, 2003

Examiner: Jonathan R. Plante

Art Unit: 2182

REPLY TO FILE STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW
DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2008

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully
requested in view of the following remarks.

I. SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

A telephone conference was conducted with Examiner Plante on Friday, September 19, 2008. The applicant is in agreement with the Examiners description of the Substance of Interview documentation. The interview included the discussion of the interpretation of the claim and specification language as discussed with regards to the use of the terms “full cache write”, “lower limit”, “a first value”, “a current data entry”, and “partial cache write”. An agreement was reached in defining the terms “lower limit” as representing the amount of free space, “first value” representing the size of data to be transferred, and “full cache write” as being indicative of the cache line size being transferred from the peripheral to the data queue in a host system memory. Also discussed were Figures 1E-F and 6 and how the invention limits the number of partial cache write in favor of full cache write. Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for his time.

II. CONCLUSION

For at least the above reasons, the claims currently under consideration are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should any fees be due as a result of the filing of this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account Number 50-1733, AMDP769US.

Respectfully submitted,
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